

STATE OF MARYLAND

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

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Martin O'Malley, Governor - Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor - Joshua M. Sharfstein, M.D., Secretary

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Dear Stakeholders,

We are writing to update you on training opportunities available to prepare for changes coming as a result of behavioral health integration.

During the month of November, DHMH and ValueOptions - the Administrative Services Organization that will administer Medicaid substance use and mental health services - will be hosting four regional forums. These forums will introduce providers to ValueOptions' ProviderConnect system, provide updates on the implementation of substance use disorder services, and introduce stakeholders to ValueOptions staff. Regional forums will be held on the following dates and times:

- Wednesday, November 12, 2014, 8:00 am 12:00 pm University of Maryland Baltimore County, Research and Technology 5520 Research Park Drive Catonsville, MD 21228
- Thursday, November 13, 2014, 1:30 pm 4:30 pm
 Frederick County Workplace
 5340 Spectrum Drive, Suite A
 Frederick, MD 21703
- Tuesday, November 18, 2014, 1:00 pm 4:30 pm Salisbury Chamber of Commerce 144 East Main Street Salisbury, MD 21803
- Thursday, November, 20, 2014, 8:30 am 11:30 am Arnold One-Stop Career Center 1460 Ritchie Highway, #109 Arnold, MD 21012

The Department encourages you to participate in one of these forums to familiarize yourself with the ValueOptions system and staff. These training opportunities will better prepare providers for the implementation of the new Administrative Services Organization on January 1, 2015. A registration form for the regional training forums is attached for your convenience. Please complete the form and fax back to ValueOptions at 410.691.4001.

Sincerely,

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Charles Lehman

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